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IN VACATION.

Position of the Bar.—When Lincoln was still an insignificant country lawyer he had occasion to travel to a small town to take charge of a case. It was a drive of some 14 miles from the railroad station to the town inn where he was to spend the night. Wet and chilled to the bone he arrived at last, but to his dismay found only a small fire built in the grate while standing about it so as to exclude the heat from the traveler were the other lawyers interested in the case.

At length one of the group turned to Lincoln.

"Pretty cold, eh?" he asked.

"Yes," replied Lincoln, "as cold as it is hot in Hades."

"Ever been to Hades, stranger?" asked another.

"Yes," replied Lincoln, solemnly.

This raised a faint smile among the other lawyers.

"What does it look like there?" they asked.

"Very much like this," said Lincoln, dryly; "all the lawyers nearest the fire."—Chicago Herald.

Means of Assent.—In a suit brought by an architect against the late Mrs. Paran Stevens, Joseph H. Choate spoke for the plaintiff and dwelt upon the lady's origin and her rise in the social world, concluding thus: "At last the arm of royalty was bent to receive her gloved hand. How, gentlemen, did she attain this eminence? Upon a mountain of unpaid bills!"—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

BOOK REVIEW.

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We find the usual number of important cases well annotated in this volume. Amongst the notes which seem to us to be of unusual value is the one on page 9 as to the "Sale or Mortgage of Future or Growing Crops." On page 150 as to the "Effect of Defects or Omission in Copy of Writ or Process Delivered to Person Served."